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# **HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH**

## **June Meeting Minutes**

**DATE:** June 27, 2017  
**TIME:** 6:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** Howard County Health Department  
 8930 Stanford Blvd., Columbia, MD 21045

**Members Present:** Carlessia Hussein, Sheri Lewis, Kevin Carlson, Deborah Rivkin, Paul Nagy, Bob Sheesley, and Darryl Burnett,

**Members Excused:** Gary Stewart

**Staff:** Maura Rossman, Health Officer, Antigone Vickery, Deputy Health Officer

**Guest:** Paul Gleichauf (speaker)

Topic/Agenda	Discussion	Action/Follow-up
Welcome and Introductions	Carlessia Hussein opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.	
Approval of Minutes	Motion to accept May minutes.	The motion to accept the May 2017 minutes was approved unanimously.
New Business	<p><b><u>Service Award</u></b>            A service award for Sue Song's participation on the Board was shared with the group. Sue was unable to attend. She will be presented with this at a later date.</p> <p><b><u>CRISP (Power Point Presentation) By Paul Gleichauf</u></b>            Chesapeake Regional Information System for our Patients (CRISP), is a regional health information exchange (HIE) serving Maryland and DC. It is a non-profit organization and has been formally designated as Maryland's statewide health information exchange by the Maryland Health Care Commission. CRISP includes all Maryland hospitals. It has four primary services:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Prescription Drug Monitoring Program</b>- monitors prescribing and dispensing of controlled substances (overseen by MD Dept of Health).</li> <li>2. <b>Encounter Notification System</b> – physicians are notified in real-time when their patients are admitted to the hospital</li> <li>3. <b>Clinical Query Portal</b> – can search for patients medical information with prior hospital records across physical practices and hospital units (laboratory, radiology, etc)</li> <li>4. <b>CRISP Reporting Services</b> – produces various analytical reports</li> </ol>	

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	<p>Other points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approximately 2000 + physicians have submitted patient panels to CRISP.</li> <li>Hospitals that have single sign-on (to CRISP and their own hospital EMR) have shown a greater use than those hospitals that have separate sign-on for CRISP and hospital. Howard Co General Hospital has a single sign on.</li> <li>There is an 'Opt Out' Policy where patients have the option to block electronic access to their information through CRISP. If a patient opts out, no information is available.</li> <li>CRISP recognizes the vital importance of security and has been increasing their investment in this area.</li> <li>Providers are audited to prevent in appropriate use / access to information available through CRISP.</li> <li>CRISP working on integrating Advance Directives through the system, so providers can retrieve easier.</li> </ul>	<p>More information can be obtained through</p> <p><b>Web:</b> <a href="https://crisphealth.org/">https://crisphealth.org/</a></p> <p><b>YouTube:</b> www.youtube.com/user/CRISPMDHIE</p>
Old Business	<p><b>Behavioral Health Integration:</b> The last of the county-facilitated public meetings on the integration of mental health and substance abuse services occurred May 24 and concluded with a vote to transition the Mental Health Authority into the Health Department. Following the vote, there will be a series of implementation meetings over the year to discuss how to integrate operationally, examining budgets, staff and services. This process will also involve changes to legislation. The transition process should conclude and full organization integration achieved by July 1, 2018.</p> <p><b>Opioid Crisis:</b> In response to the Opioid Crisis, the State has declared a state of emergency in March, created response teams &amp; plans, convened several meetings and is working on releasing several funding opportunities. In addition, the County has provided an additional \$150,000 for outreach activities. Lastly, the Health Department is working to hire a Program Administrator to help coordinate all the many opioid-related activities.</p>	<p>Periodic updates will be provided on the progress of Behavioral Health integration process.</p> <p>Periodic updates will be provided on the progress on the various activities related to the opioid crisis.</p>
Other Business	<p>Suggested topics for future meetings: Infant mortality, early adolescent / middle school aged boys</p> <p>Next BOH meeting scheduled for September 26, 2017</p>	
Adjournment	<i>There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.</i>	

**Next Board of Health Meeting:** September 26, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at Howard Co. Health Department 8930 Stanford Blvd. 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Columbia, MD 21045